

Washington Post-Pew Research Center Poll

Women in combat

This poll was conducted for The Washington Post and the Pew Research Center by telephone January 24 to 27, 2013, among a random national sample of 1,005 adults, including users of both conventional and cellular phones.

The results from the full survey have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points. Sampling, data collection and tabulation by Princeton Survey Research Associates International (PSRAI) of Princeton, NJ.

*= less than 0.5 percent



1. Do you support or oppose allowing women in the military to serve in ground units that engage in close combat?

	Support			Oppose			No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
1/27/13	66	37	28	26	9	17	8
3/13/11*	73	NA	NA	25	NA	NA	2

*Washington Post-ABC News

2. Do you think that allowing women to serve in combat roles will be a major change for the U.S. military, or only a minor change?

	Major change	Minor change	No change (vol.)	No opinion
1/27/13	47	47	1	5

3. Do you think allowing women to serve in combat roles will make opportunities for women in the military, better, worse, or not make much difference? (Order of questions 3 and 4 randomized)

	Better	Worse	Not make much difference	No opinion
1/24/13	58	7	30	6

4. Do you think allowing women to serve in combat roles will make military effectiveness, better, worse, or not make much difference? (Order of questions 3 and 4 randomized)

	Better	Worse	Not make much difference	No opinion
1/24/13	29	15	49	6

END